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### **SUPPLEMENTAL EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Jeff Wolfson on December 8, 2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 34 (Amended):

A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the hydrotreating catalyst produces gas oil having less than about 50-ppm sulfur from a gas oil feedstock having about 1 wt [5] % sulfur content under commercial operating conditions.


### ***Conclusion***

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christina Johnson whose telephone number is (571) 272-1176. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 7:30-5, with Alternate Fridays off.

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